

HUNTINGTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
May 18, 2016

Huntington City Council met in its regular scheduled council meeting May 18, 2016 at the city office building located at 20 South Main Street. Meeting started at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Hilary Gordon presiding.

Call to Order

Mayor Gordon asked that there be order kept and everyone that spoke to use the microphone and established the following were in attendance:

Mayor: Hilary Gordon
Council: Lamar Guymon, Joe Ward, Leonard Norton,
Mark Justice (absent), Laneea Cowley (absent)
Recorder: Jenene Hansen, Treasurer: Ronni Torre, Gary Arrington – PZ Administrator

Also in attendance: Dan Van Wagner, John Murray, Marc Stilson, Paul Cowley, Lorraine Dingman, Norm Dingman, Robert Baker, Mike Gordon, Scott Gordon, Ron Patterson, Keith Brady, Jackie Arrington

Lamar Guymon extended a word to open the meeting and Joe Ward led those present in the Pledge of allegiance.

Agenda Item – 1- Approval of April 20, 2016 City Council minutes

Motion. Leonard Norton moved to approve the April 20, 2016 minutes; motion seconded by Joe Ward and carried.

Agenda Item – 2 – Business License

MOTION. Approval of Carbon/Emery Gun Worx, by Lamar Guymon; motion seconded by Leonard Norton and carried.

MOTION. Approval of Lost Treasure, by Leonard Norton; motion seconded by Joe Ward and carried.

Agenda Item – 3 – Dan Van Wagoner – Candidate for County Commissioner

Dan Van Wagoner introduced himself to the Mayor and Council. He announced that he is the Mayor of Castle Dale and has been a long time resident in Emery county. He encourages tourism and helping people, he wants to keep public lands public. He said I want your vote to build a better Emery county together.

Agenda Item – 4 – High Desert Growers – Local Farmers Market, Mark Stilson

Marc Stilson reported that he would like to start a Farmers Market at the City Park on Main Street. The Farmers Market would be on Saturday morning and they will sale whole raw produce, this has been successful in Price for several years.

MOTION. Lamar Guymon motioned to approve the Farmers Market; motion seconded by Joe Ward and carried.

Agenda Item – 5 – Discussion of Transportation Sales Tax

Jenene explained that HB 362 is a Local Option Sales Tax that will bring more revenue to the city if the bill passes in November.

Agenda Item – 6 – Resolution 5-2016 HB 362

MOTION. Lamar Guymon motioned to pass Resolution 5-2016; motion seconded by Leonard Norton and carried. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Lamar Guymon – AYE, Joe Ward – AYE, Leonard Norton – AYE

Agenda Item – 7 – Commissioner Keith Brady-moving SITLA land to be adjacent to city boundaries (combine)

Commissioner Keith Brady explained that in Rural Counties they have a high percentage of public lands and that chokes economic development. SITLA generally likes to sale or lease their land. The idea came that with all of the SITLA properties we have we want to work with SITLA and BLM for land swaps, to move properties and allotments around municipalities. That way if there is an option for a business to move in they don't have to deal with the FEDs or BLM. We want to put them with B & C Roads without creating new roads. They wanted me to bring this to municipalities and grazers.

Agenda Item – 8 – Commissioner Keith Brady – form an EMS Inter Local Agency with Emery County

Keith Brady explained the two options for the EMS. Option #1 would be to have the cities take over the EMS employees and the County would reimburse Cities. Option #2 would be to create an Inter Local Agency similar to the Special Service district. If we go with option #2 then we would create a board agreement between the county and the city. The city would be required to have someone sit on the board. The city would not deal with accounting or personnel. The funding would come from what the EMT's bring in from their service calls. The EMS would become their own entity. There will be an agreement between the Cities and the County that if there is a shortfall for some reason the county would pick that up. The county attorney is working on an agreement.

Agenda Item – 9 – Public hearing/CIB

Mayor Gordon explained that in January we applied with CDBG to do an ADA Compliant restroom and we were denied. Now we want to apply with CIB to get funding for an ADA compliant restroom in the city park and a cemetery project. The total cost of the project is \$468,000.00; the breakdown will be to take \$50,000.00 out of perpetual care, \$50,000.00 out of capital projects, \$50,000.00 from USDA and we will try to get a \$75,000.00 loan from CIB and a grant for \$243,000.00.

MOTION. Leonard Norton motions to go into public hearing; motion seconded by Joe Ward and carried.

No public comments

MOTION. Lamar Guymon motions to go out of public hearing; motion seconded by Leonard Norton and carried.

Agenda Item – 10 – Town hall rates

In reference to raising the rates on the town hall rental, Ronnie presented a spread sheet showing that the town hall revenue for 2016 is \$1500.00.

MOTION. Leonard Norton motioned to keep the rent at \$50.00; motion seconded by Lamar Guymon and carried.

Agenda Item – 11 – Discussion and possible approval of Senior Citizen Center parking

The county is wanting to improve the parking in back of the senior citizen center. Discussion of adding asphalt and creating a parking area in back of the old fire station was brought up by Commissioner Cowley, he said the county wants to go in with the City and do an inter local agreement to participate. If the agreement is made the county will take care of doing the asphalt. Commissioner Cowley will have the agreement made and present it to the City for review.

Agenda Item – 12 – Ordinance 2-2016/Veteran Wall and grave decorations

MOTION. Lamar Guymon motions to approve ordinance 2-2016; motion seconded by Leonard Norton and carried.

Agenda Item – 13 – Cemetery rates

Do to loss of revenue we have discussed increasing cemetery rates for the opening and closing of graves.

MOTION. Leonard Norton motioned to increase the cemetery opening and closing fee to \$250.00 from \$200.00.

Motion seconded by Joe Ward and carried.

Agenda Item – 14 – FY 2017 Budget workshop

Ronni presented THE possible tentative fiscal year 2017 budget as follows:

	Revenue	Expense
General	\$ 725,057.00	\$725,057.00
MBA	\$ 36,350.00	\$ 36,350.00
Capital Projects	\$483,000.00	\$483,000.00
Utility	\$388,650.00	\$376,148.00
Secondary	\$ 49,615.00	\$ 30,000.00
Perpetual Care	\$ 54,900.00	\$ 54,900.00

Utility budget includes hiring an employee to run the dumpsite April-October, 20 hours per week at \$8.00 per hour. Perpetual care is showing the transfer of \$50,000.00 to capital projects for our cemetery project. The lease for the backhoe this year was \$891.37 with the state purchasing contract. Now I find out it is going up and a lease for 3 years is \$12,625.00 per year and a five-year lease will be \$10,550.00 per year, that is not in our budget. We are looking to see if I can find a better price. This is the tentative budget and next month we will have the public hearing to set the budget and open the old budget to make adjustments.

Agenda Item – 15 – Public Comments

None

Agenda Item - 16 – Mayors Report

Mayor Gordon reported on the flowers on main street. She also mentioned that in the future it is important to get quality workmanship on our projects. Still waiting on UDOT.

Agenda Item – 17 – Council’s Departmental Reports

Leonard Norton reported that CERT training will be May 31st at 6:30 PM. We will burn the dumps by the end of the Month. **Joe Ward** reported that we are wanting to do a cement fence at the cemetery and also do some drain work. The Miner Monument pad is done; we do need a new light for the monument. **Lamar Guymon** reported that he wants to put a banner on the old “Welcome to Huntington” sign. He also reported on people parking on 100 North across Main Street on the West side.

Agenda Item – 18 – Zoning Administrator Report

Gary reported that the issue of parking on 100 North can be solved by putting striping. The senior citizen and Huntington City does not have an easement.

Agenda Item – 19 – City claims and Review of Financials

MOTION. Leonard Norton move to pay the bills; motion seconded by Joe Ward and carried.

UPON PROPER MOTION AND FULL APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:12 P.M.

Jenene Hansen
Huntington City Recorder